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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s): George B. Sigal, Jacob N. Wohlstadter, Satyanarayana Gudibande, Mark T. Martin, James L. Wilbur

Entitled: **Methods And Apparatus For Improved Luminescence Assays Using Microparticles**

- This application is a Continuation of prior application No.08/998,137, Examiner S. Houtteman, Group Art Unit 1656

Enclosed are:

- 82 sheets of specification, 5 pages drawings.
 A signed Inventors Declaration And Power of Attorney from parent application.
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Respectfully submitted,

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